(c) what is the number of 5-star Hotels in existence in Orissa; and

(d) what facilities are available to the tourists in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The specific steps taken to attract tourists to Orissa include the development of tourist attractions and augmentation of accommodation facilities, publicity and promotion of specific attractions of that State in both domestic and international markets.

(b) The allocation of funds for the promotion of tourism in India is not made on a State-wise basis. The Department of Tourism and its overseas offices promote India as a whole. As part of its publicity programme, the Department has brought out several brochures, folders etc. on Orissa.

(c) There is one approved 5-star hotel with 72 rooms in Orissa. This is the Hotel Konark in Bhubaneshwar.

(d) The type of facilities available or being made available to tourists in Orissa with the Central Ministry of Tourism's financial assistance are.

(1) Forest Lodge at Simlipal

(2) Lion Safari Park, Nandankanan

(3) Public Convenience near Sun Temple, Konark

(4) Flood lighting of Khandagiri & Udaigiri

(5) Purchase of boats for Chilka Lake

(6) Fairs & Festivals at Chilka Lake

(7) Boats for Nandankanan Zoological Park

(8) Public Convenience at Bhubaneshwar & Konark

(9) Yatri Niwas at Satpada

(10) Yachts for Chilka Lake

(11) Vehicles and elephants at Simplipal

(12) Yatri Niwas at Konarak

(13) Wayside facilities at Taptapani, Angul, Sunabeda & Rameshwar

(14) Open Air theatre at Konarak.

Fire tenders for Delhi Airport

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SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the International Airports Authority of India (IAAI) has purchased Crash Fire tenders for Delhi Airports;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and what are the main features of these fire tenders; and

(c) whether Government propose to purchase more fire tenders for other airports of the country and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir. IAAI had purchased 6 Crash Fire Tenders for Delhi Airport in the year 1977-78.

(b) The cost of each Crash Fire Tender was Rs. 17.00 lakhs inclusive of Customs Duty. These tenders have capacity to carry 7000 litres of water and 630 litres of major fire extinguishing media and are capable of a maximum throw of 65 metres through the monitor. Most of these tenders have completed 9 years of useful life.

(c) The International Airports at Bombay, Calcutta and Madras are already provided with Crash Fire Tenders. There are no immediate plans to purchase more Crash Fire Tenders for the International Airports. However, 51 Crash Fire Tenders are proposed to be procured during the current Five Year plan for being deployed at the National Airports.